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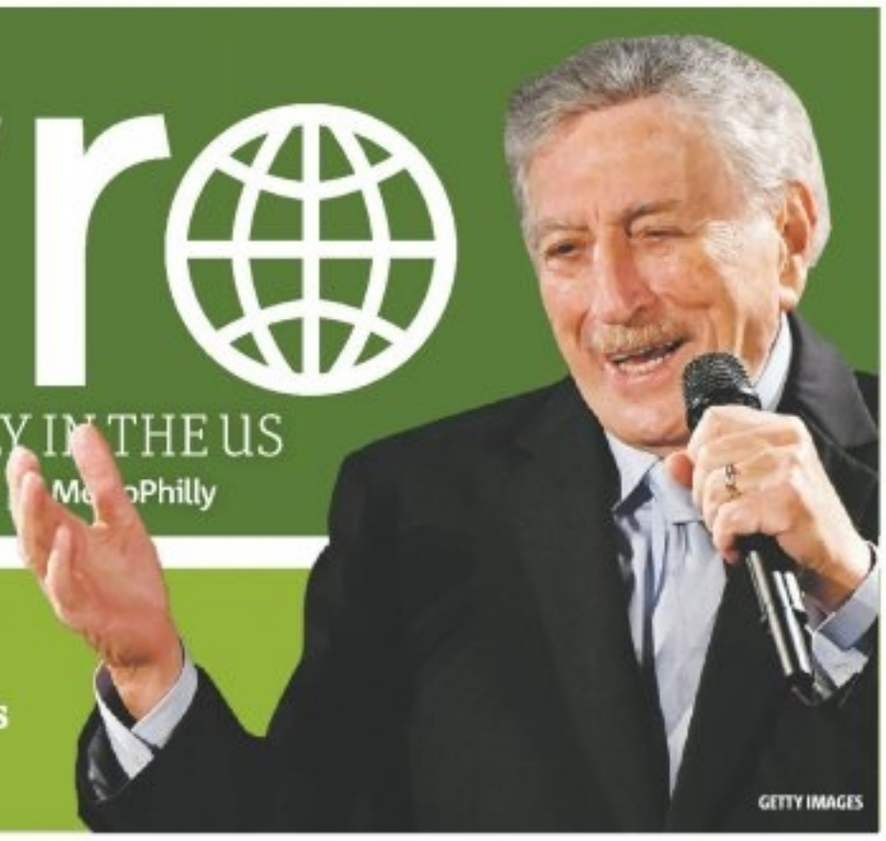

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This year's Veterans Day Parade promises to be the best one yet, with new additions including a 170-piece marching band. The parade is a tribute to all veterans as well as active servicemen and women who are in the military today. This parade is close to my heart; having two siblings in the military, including one who will be deployed within the next few months, it helps to know there are organizations building a sense of community for all military families.

04 DAYS

2018 MIDTERM ELECTIONS

1 GOOGLE WORKERS WALK OUT OVER WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Thousands of Google employees around the world briefly walked off their jobs on Thursday to protest the company's response to sexual harassment and demand that the world's largest search engine address rising concerns about workplace inequality. The protests took place in waves, beginning in Asia and then streaming across Europe and North America, with the final wave occurring at Google's headquarters in Mountain View, California. The protests, which drew Google contract workers as well as employees, followed a New York Times report last week that Google in 2014 gave a $90 million exit package to a senior vice president, Andy Rubin, after he was accused of sexual harassment. "This was the $90 million straw that broke the camel's back," Celie O'Neil-Hart, one of the protest organizers and who works on YouTube marketing, told reporters as she joined hundreds of other employees in the courtyard of Google's Mountain View headquarters. "But there are so many stories that we've heard for so long, and it's time for action and change," said O'Neil-Hart as she teared up.

2 AMBASSADOR TO RUSSIA DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER

U.S. Ambassador to Russia Jon Huntsman has early-stage cancer and is being treated, according to comments he gave to a Utah-based newspaper in an interview published on Thursday. Huntsman, who spoke in Moscow with Deseret News in a series of conversations in August, said at the time he planned to return for treatment to Utah, where he served twice as governor. "It's just Stage 1," he told the paper. "So we'll probably get it taken care of, and we'll be fine." Representatives for the U.S. Department of State and for Huntsman could not immediately be reached for comment. Huntsman was diagnosed over the summer when he was in the United States, after noticing two small black spots behind his ear and on his thigh, he told the paper. He has appeared in Moscow for recent events, attending national security adviser John Bolton's Oct. 23 news conference in the city. Huntsman previously served as U.S. ambassador to China and had sought the Republican presidential nomination in 2012 before dropping his bid. His late father, billionaire Jon Huntsman Sr., died in February of cancer.

3 ALL SAINTS' DAY IN GDANSK

A general view of the Lostowicki Cemetery in Gdansk, Poland is seen on Thursday. Christians celebrate All Saints' Day by paying respects to dead family members and laying flowers and lit candles on their graves. All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day are when millions of Poles visit the graves of loved ones, often traveling hundreds of miles to their hometowns.

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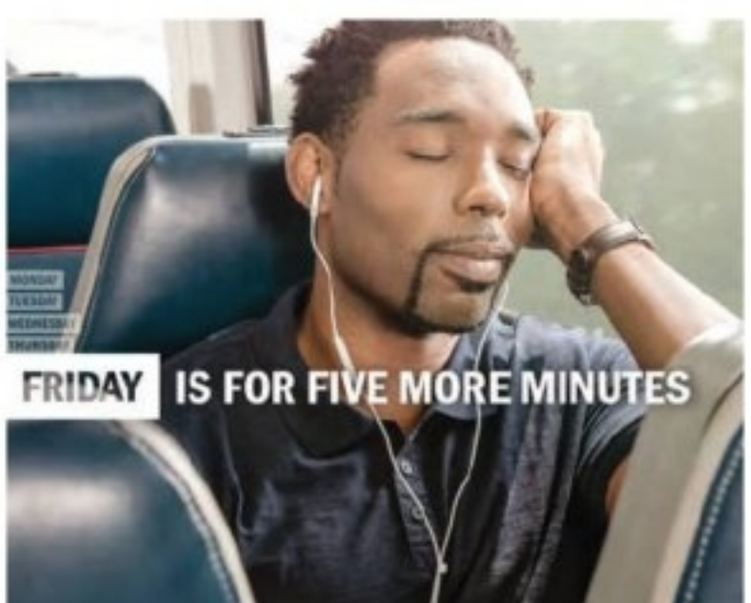
4 DINOSAUR EGGS CONTAINED EXQUISITE COLORS, SPOTS

Some dinosaurs laid colored, speckled and spotted eggs boasting exquisite hues of blue and brown, scientists said on Thursday, in a discovery that scrambles the notion that such exceptional traits originated with birds. An analysis of 12 fossilized dinosaur eggshells from Europe, Asia, North America and South America detected the same two pigments present in colorful bird eggs in a dinosaur group called eumaniraptorans, which includes well-known meat-eaters like Velociraptor and the small feathered dinosaur ancestors of birds. "We discovered that egg color is not a trait unique to our modern birds, but evolved in their non-avian dinosaur ancestors," said Yale University paleontologist Jasmina Wiemann, who led the study published in the journal Nature. "Our study fundamentally changes our understanding of egg color evolution, and adds color to dinosaur nests in the real 'Jurassic World.'" For example, the sickle-clawed predator Deinonychus had a blue egg with brown blotches and the bird-like Oviraptor, known for its toothless beak, had eggs that were dark blue.

5 NEIL YOUNG CONFIRMS MARRIAGE TO HANNAH

Singer-songwriter Neil Young confirmed rumors that have persisted for months, saying he is indeed married to actress Daryl Hannah. Young revealed the marriage on Wednesday with a brief reference to "my wife Daryl" in a post on his web site about his song "Ohio," which he wrote in 1970 to protest the shooting deaths of four student protesters by the National Guard at Kent State University in Ohio. There has been speculation since August that Young, 72, and Hannah, 57, who had been dating since 2014, had married. Young's web site post accompanied the release of a new video for "Ohio" that he is using to promote "common sense gun laws" ahead of U.S. national elections set for Nov. 6 and to criticize the National Rifle Association, a lobby group devoted to supporting U.S. gun rights. The issue of gun ownership has become one of the most contentious in U.S. politics, with conservatives adamantly opposed to any limitations on their constitutional rights to own firearms. "Give us common sense gun laws that protect our people, in schools, in places of worship, in the workplace and on the streets," wrote Young.



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Amid Pittsburgh funerals, synagogue suspect pleads not guilty

Robert Bowers appeared in U.S. District Court on Thursday.

Police tape wrapped around a traffic light pole out front of the Tree of Life synagogue in Squirrel Hill, outside of Pittsburgh. GETTY IMAGES

Appearing defiant and swaggering, the man charged with killing 11 worshippers in a Pittsburgh synagogue pleaded not guilty on Thursday in a federal court as the Jewish community buried three more of the dead.

Robert Bowers, 46, an avowed anti-Semite, was brought before Judge Robert Mitchell in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania dressed in a red jumpsuit with a bandaged left arm.

He spoke little, other than to say he understood the charges against him and that some of them could result in the death penalty, then entered a plea of not guilty. He also requested a jury trial.

Bowers was injured in a shootout with police during the massacre at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh's Squirrel Hill neighborhood in what is believed to be the worst anti-Semitic attack in recent U.S. history. He appeared in court on Monday shackled to a wheelchair, but walked steadily on Thursday.

Late on an overcast Thursday morning, mourners trickled into the Ralph Schugar Chapel for the funeral of Sylvan Simon, 86, and his wife, Bernice, 84, who had been married for nearly 62 years. He was a retired accountant, she a retired nurse.

Augie Siriano, a custodian at Tree of Life, said the couple often brought him chocolate chip cookies, and that Sylvan Simon liked to talk about the Pittsburgh Steelers professional football team.

"They were just wonderful, graceful people," Siriano said.

Friends and family lined up in the afternoon to pay their respects at the funeral for Richard Gottfried, 65, a dentist who shared a practice with his wife, Peg.

Dr. Jane Segal, a dentist who graduated from the University of Pittsburgh a year ahead of Gottfried, said he was a "wonderful man and a wonderful dentist."

"You couldn't find anyone finer," she said.

Also in line was Dr. Paul Taicelt, who said he and Gottfried had provided free dental clinics and volunteered for Catholic charities together.

"He was very conscientious and very loyal," Taicelt said. "And all of his patients loved him."

Prosecutors have said they will seek the death penalty against Bowers.

He is accused of bursting into the synagogue and opening fire with a semi-automatic rifle and three pistols in the midst of the Sabbath prayer service, shouting "All Jews must die."

Six people, including four police officers, were wounded before the suspect was shot by police and surrendered.

The attack, following a wave of pipe bombs mailed to prominent Democrats, has heightened national tensions days ahead of elections on Tuesday to decide which parties control Congress.

The case against Bowers will be prosecuted first in federal court, with the U.S. Justice Department saying it was in the national interest to protect freedom of religion, which is guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution.

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Young boy, teen sister shot on Halloween while trick-or-treating in Olney

Trick-or-treating turned treacherous as 5-year-old boy and 14-year-old girl struck by gunfire on Halloween night.

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Halloween is the night when it's fun to be scared, but in North Philadelphia, there was nothing funny when real gunshots rang out, striking two children trick-or-treating.

A 5-year-old boy and his 14-year-old sister are recovering after they were caught in the crossfire during a gun battle in Olney at about 6:20 p.m. Both children were in stable condition and the shooters were being sought by police.

The siblings were on the 5700 block of Hope Street when they were both shot. The young boy was shot once in the left leg, while his older sister sustained a graze wound to the right leg. Candy spilled all over the sidewalk as the wounded children fell.

"It's a very sad state of affairs for that to happen to a 5-year-old."

Captain Malachi Jones

Responding Philly police officers transported the victims to Einstein Hospital, where they were listed in stable condition. No arrests were reported to date, and no weapons were recovered.

"It's a very sad state of affairs for that to happen to a 5-year-old," Capt. Malachi Jones, commanding officer of Northwest Detectives Division, told media at a press conference Thursday. "This incident is an all-time low in my experience as a captain and police officer."

The teenager, Makiya Williams, spoke to NBC 10 about the ordeal and said she was escorting her brother, Mael Howel, for trick-or-treating. They passed the One & Olney Shopping Center and were suddenly caught in the crossfire of two men shooting at each other.

Other stray bullets went into nearby cars and the bedroom of a nearby house, although no other victims were wounded.

"Gun violence is ridiculous," the victims' mother, Dominique Wise, told NBC 10. "It makes no sense to send your children out to go trick-or-treating and then you get a phone call that not one, but two of your children were shot."

Wise said on Facebook that while her children were recovering, her son was saddened by the injury and losing all his candy, which spilled onto the sidewalk as shots rang out.

One shooter was spotted reportedly wearing a red-and-white mask. Both men had dark clothes on.

The Olney gunfire wasn't the only shooting on Halloween night in Philadelphia.

At about 7:45 p.m. near Rising Sun Avenue and Albanus Street, also in the Olney area, two women were shot. A 21-year-old black female was shot once in the right foot and a 44-year-old black female was shot twice in the stomach. The victims were both placed in stable condition. The shooters were unidentified and being sought by police as of press time.

Later that night, Rohquan Woods, 18, of the 500 block of East Rittenhouse Street, was found suffering from multiple gunshot wounds at about 10 p.m. on the 700 block of East Chelten Avenue, just south of Chew Avenue in Germantown. He died shortly after.

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Which political 'tribe' do you belong to?

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A new study reveals the beliefs that drive our votes define not two, but seven, political "tribes."

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The U.S. midterm elections are coming up and it could easily be assumed that most Americans will vote strictly down party lines: Democratic or Republican. But according to a new study, it's not that simple.

Hidden Tribes, a recent study by More in Common, examines the underlying beliefs that drive Americans' votes in the election, dedicated to releasing political tensions.

In the survey, the researchers collected the views of more than 8,000 people, a group of U.S. citizens statistically representative of the population based on census data. The survey participants answered hundreds of questions about what they consider today's most important issues, as well as their hopes, fears and concerns for the future. They also conducted six-hour-long focus groups with people from across the U.S.

"The primary way we split people into the tribes was by asking about their values," said Stephen Hawkins, the project's research director, in a statement. The analysts used the answers to understand the psychological forces at the heart of America's political polarization.

The study finds that the beliefs that drive our votes define not two, but seven, political "tribes" affected by deep feelings about identity, fairness and personal responsibility — rather than external factors like race or party.

"America is not split into two tribes, as we're sometimes told. In fact, we've identified seven distinct groups of Americans. These are our 'Hidden Tribes of America'; distinguished not by who they are or what they look like, but what they believe," the study reads.

The study explains that we're currently experiencing a deep polarization and have become divided into different tribes with different codes, values, and even facts. Researchers explain that polarization has become so extreme that it impacts how we disagree on issues as well as not taking into consideration different perspectives.

"Members of the different tribes live in the same world as the others; they share the same demographic profiles," Hawkins said. "But they have totally different worldviews."

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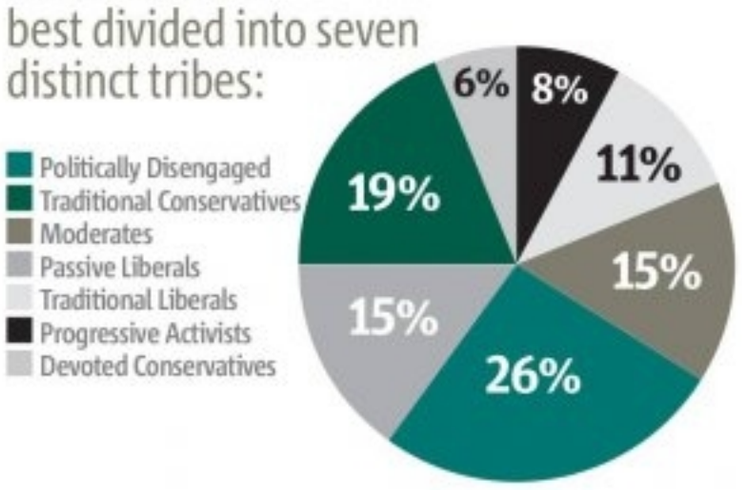
Americans are best divided into seven distinct tribes:



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RIP Wing Bowl: Philly gross-out fest comes to an end after 26 years

Wing Bowl is being laid to rest as one of Philly's most infamous and disgusting traditions.

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For 26 years, as Philadelphia football fans went without seeing their squad get anywhere near the Super Bowl, a sort of consolation event was held: "Wing Bowl," the chicken wing-eating competition.

But no more. WIP sports radio host Angelo Cataldi announced Tuesday morning that Wing Bowl will be terminated, citing the fact that the Eagles did in fact win their first Super Bowl earlier in 2018.

"Wing Bowl, after 26 years now, is being put to rest this morning," Cataldi, one of Wing Bowl's original founders, announced Tuesday morning on WIP. "Ladies and gentlemen, it has been a very difficult decision to make because of our great affection for it. But WIP has decided to end Wing Bowl.

"I can't believe how emotional I feel about it being over," he added.

"The only reason we ever did this was the Eagles never going to the Super Bowl. So the Eagles went to the Super Bowl and won the Super Bowl," explained WIP co-host Al Morganti.

"It was your idea, it was the greatest idea you ever had," Cataldi said. "That's true," Morganti acknowledged.

Wing Bowl rose from humble roots, founded by Cataldi and Morganti as a chicken wing-eating contest to be held the Friday morning before Super Bowl Sunday, to give Eagles fans something to do while other, better football teams sparred for the Lombardi Trophy.

But over the years, it began to attract hundreds of fans and celebrity attendees like Dennis Rodman and Snooki. Wing Bowl was moved to the Wells Fargo Center, where tickets were sold to the event which, astonishingly, began at 5 a.m. on the Friday before Super Bowl Sunday.

Wing Bowl was perhaps best known for the presence of "Wingettes," strippers who served the competitors towering plates of greasy, sauce-covered chicken wings while cheering them on as they stuffed their maws with genetically modified, factory-raised,

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Wing Bowl competitor "Moe Train" tries to choke down some chicken at Wing Bowl 26 in early 2018 — the last Wing Bowl ever. KAIT MOORE

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One Wingette, Morgan O'Brien, was granted the moniker of "Ultimate Wingette" after Bucks County plastic surgeon Dr. Robert Skalicky gave her breast enhancements, nasal refinement and lip filler in January 2013, ahead of Wing Bowl 21.

During Wing Bowl 22, real Philadelphia Eagle Jason Kelce participated in the contest.

Five-time winner William "El Wingador" Simmons, known for showing up to Wing Bowl in a giant chicken costume riding a motorcycle, and pleading guilty to dealing cocaine after a 2012 arrest following his last Wing Bowl appearance, in 2017 launched an unsuccessful Kickstarter campaign to fundraise for his own fried chicken restaurant. His memoir, "Snow On the Barb Wire," was published in 2016 and is available for sale on Amazon.

But while some decried the event as "sexist," perhaps women had the last laugh. In the final two Wing Bowls in history, the prize was taken home by Molly Schuyler, a mother of four from the Midwest, who downed a truly nauseating 501 chicken wings in 2018, just before the Eagles trounced the New England Patriots in Super Bowl LII, 41-33. Schuyler won a 2018 Hyundai Sonata, $5,000 and a ring and medal for her achievement.

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Maryland changes course, fires football coach Durkin

Several Terp players walked out of a team meeting with the coach earlier in the week.

Maryland head coach DJ Durkin looks on during spring football practice. GETTY IMAGES

A day after announcing head coach DJ Durkin would be retained, Maryland fired the coach on Wednesday, according to a school spokeswoman.

School president Wallace Loh said Durkin's departure was in the best interest of the university.

"Yesterday, the University System of Maryland Board of Regents announced numerous recommendations, including employment decisions about specific personnel on our campus. I accepted the Board's recommendations," Loh said in a statement. "At the same time, I announced my retirement as president in June 2019.

"Since returning to campus after yesterday's press conference, I have met with the leadership of the Student Government Association speaking on behalf of numerous student organizations; the Senate Executive Committee; deans; department chairs; and campus leadership. The overwhelming majority of stakeholders expressed serious concerns about Coach DJ Durkin returning to the campus.

"The chair of the Board of Regents has publicly acknowledged that I had previously raised serious concerns about Coach Durkin's return. This is not at all a reflection of my opinion of Coach Durkin as a person. However, a departure is in the best interest of the university, and this afternoon Coach Durkin was informed that the university will part ways.

"This is a difficult decision, but it is the right one for our entire university. I will devote the remaining months of my presidency to advancing the needed reforms in our Athletic Department that prioritize the safety and well-being of our student athletes."

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— **Bernadette**, *Metro US reader*

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—**Spencer**, *Metro Philly reader*

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The parade honors vets and active servicemen.
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This is the fourth year for the Philadelphia Veterans Day Parade. Anthony Murphy, president of the Veterans Parade executive board, talks about the history of the parade and the how the community can help our country's veterans.

Anything new for the parade this year?
There are a few new pieces in the parade this year. We have the Tian Guo 170-piece band, plus the Valley Forge Military Academy Marching Band will be in the parade this year. Also, some of the American Legion posts are bringing bands with them, so it's different. It's grown.

Anything special in the parade to look out for in particular?
If it's a very nice day we will have parachuters come from the sky during the opening ceremony and singing the National Anthem. And we have a young man who's going to play the trumpet. We also have, as a special note, a Montford Point Marine named Albert Willis and he will be our Grand Marshal. Willis is 96 years old and he's still going. The Montford Point Marines were the first black Marines in the U.S. military. They had to build their own training base because, at the time, black men were not allowed to be in the Marines. So they built it and then trained and then went into battle and earned the right to be Marines. Plus, we have the actual active military personnel that's also marching in the parade and they will have an Army drill team.

What can you tell me about the festival that is happening during the parade?
The festival features veteran service organizations. We believe in veterans helping veterans, and therefore we want to make sure that veterans and veterans' families and the community of Philadelphia are aware of all these services that veterans can receive and should be receiving. So we are providing information. We are also providing some other activities where veterans can get free haircuts, and some of the female veterans can also have some other assistance provided to them. We make sure we address the female veterans, not just males. We will also have a ceremony where we will be presenting a wreath, and we will also have a letter-writing campaign where people can actually write letters to servicemen that will be given to an organization that sends them out. I mean, it's the time of the year when even though you're away you still need that home contact and we want to try and provide that. We are also providing thank-you letters, too. Within the festival, there will also be entertainment and a beer garden, but it's all still focused on trying to make sure we address the needs of the veterans and the veterans' families and our veterans community.

The parade has a lot of new entertainment this year.

What else should the people of Philadelphia know about the parade?
Comcast has been and still is a principal instrument for the parade and making it happen. The Philadelphia Veterans Parade Inc. is dedicated to veterans and doing the very best for veterans, and although the Philadelphia Veterans Parade may not be No. 1 this year, it's fastly becoming one of the better veterans parades in the country and we want to make it the best. So we need the community of Philadelphia to come out and support and salute our veterans and our active servicemen and women.

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'Why stop now?'

Tony Bennett will appear at the Academy of Music on Nov. 2.

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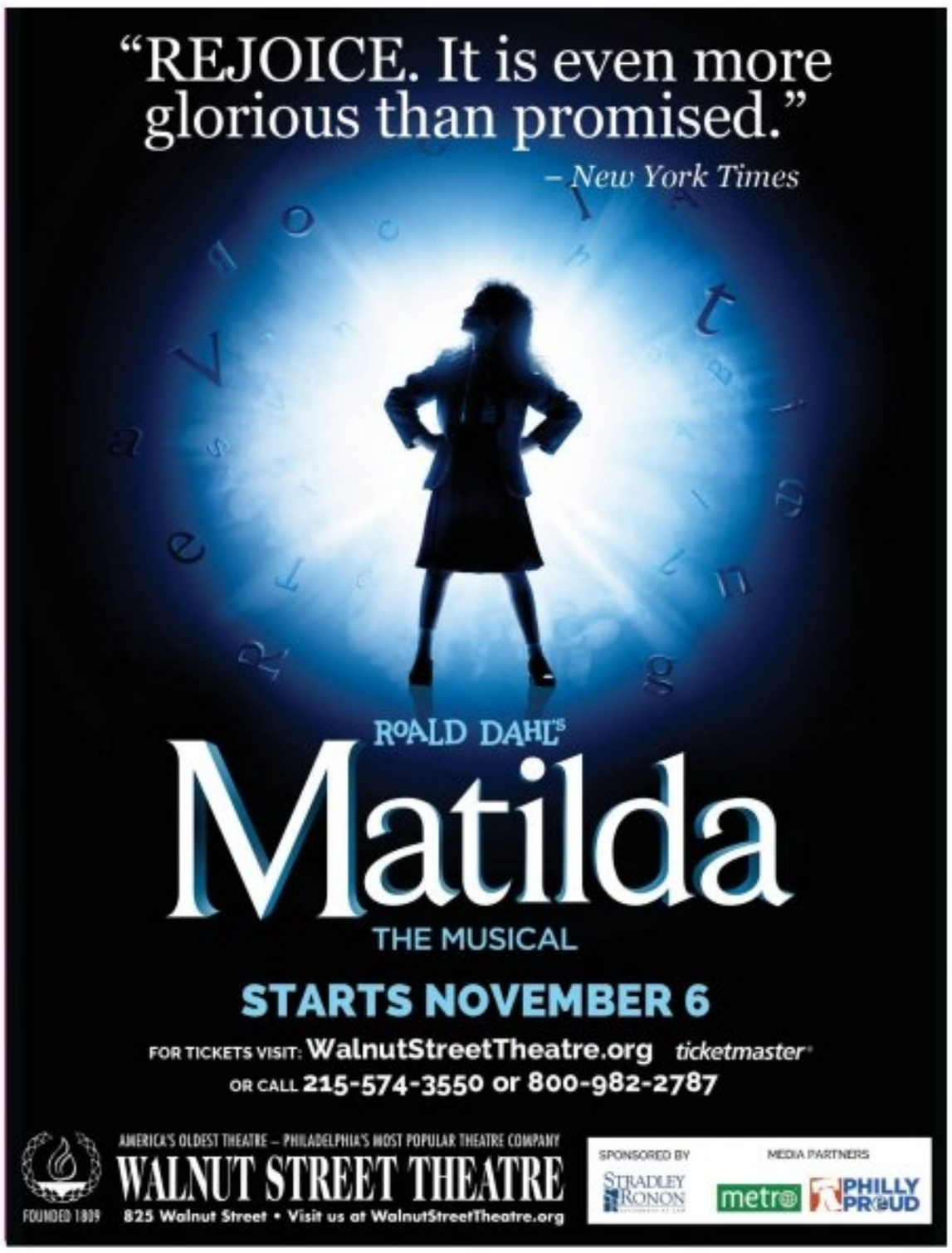
Tony Bennett comes to Philly this week. GETTY IMAGES

Sinatra once called Tony Bennett a treasure for having sung through Tin Pan Alley, Broadway, film, jazz and contemporary song. When asked why he keeps going, Bennett's answer is simple: "Why stop now?"

What do you recall about the rooms you played between Philly and Atlantic City in your time?
Back then going out to a club was a special occasion and the audience dressed up in silk and tuxedos and the rooms were filled with cigarette smoke. I remember years later, my dear friend, the photographer Herman Leonard, told me how much losing the smoke in a club once the no-smoking laws came into place affected his work. And, of course, the Latin Casino was where I performed with Count Basie in 1958, and it was recorded as the plan was to release it as a live album. Regretfully, the label decided that they wanted it to be in stereo but it was recorded in mono so they took out all the live audience sound and made it in stereo and then added in audience applause.

You started off singing Gershwin in 1949 with "Fascinating Rhythm." Do you remember how and why you chose that song, and what is so great or special about Gershwin? Did you ever try to write a song?
Being the first "interpretive singer" to win the Gershwin Prize was an honor that I am still completely thrilled and amazed happened. I am very proud of the fact that the very first song I recorded was a Gershwin song as I knew that if I started out with quality music it would stay around. So I made a conscious decision to pick a great tune and I love how "Fascinating Rhythm" moves, musically. George Gershwin wrote pure American music and Ira's lyrics are still contemporary today and so much fun to sing. Actually, I have never wanted to try to write a song since I have the Great American Songbook to choose from. But, a few years ago my son Danny suggested I write lyrics to an instrumental song, "Nuages," by Django Reinhardt. I loved that song and I gave it a go, and in one afternoon I had the lyrics written and I called it "All For You" and dedicated it to my wife Susan.

What are you imagining before you hit that stage?
Judy Garland used to say to me it was just about watching the reds and the blues — the lighting, of course — but I try to stay in the moment. Sometimes a certain word gets emphasized one night, and the next time I sing it I may change that phrasing, so it is for me about communicating on a very intuitive level and not overthinking. I like to imagine singing to one or two people rather than thinking about the full audience.



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How the Koch brothers inspired this 'House of Cards' character

Greg Kinnear explains how the billionaire brothers influenced his work on season 6.

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Greg Kinnear's Bill Shepherd takes a cue from the Koch brothers this season.
DAVID GIESBRECHT/NETFLIX

Early in the final season of "House of Cards," which debuts today on Netflix, wealthy businessman Bill Shepherd (Greg Kinnear) has a very tense encounter with President Claire Underwood (Robin Wright) in the Oval Office. There's no need to spoil the confrontation here, of course, but of all the moments that define Bill throughout the series, this one stands out.

Then again, as Kinnear tells Metro, both Bill and his sister Annette Shepherd (Diane Lane) are completely "entitled, arrogant and formidable."

"I felt like they had a guy who is one of two parts," says Kinnear. "He and his sister are definitely married, in a way. I wouldn't call it a good cop/bad cop relationship, but the two of them together are quite effective at getting results. I think [showrunners Frank Pugliese and Melissa James Gibson] mentioned the Koch brothers or some of these other well-connected, financially well-to-do families that aren't really elected to anything. They don't have a need to do anything, but through their connections and their money, they are able to express their willpower and change policy."

The Koch brothers comparison is apt. From the very beginning of season 6, the pair is almost always working with one another against Claire's own presidential agenda, which leads to many showdowns, including the one in the Oval Office.

"That Koch brothers reference is a good one because you hear the word 'brothers' and immediately know there is a familial connection for them," the actor notes. "They're protective of that, and I think they need each other in a way. Yet, like all families, that can be a hard mechanism to keep working without it getting volatile.

"In fact, as it moves along," Kinnear adds, before stopping himself with a laugh. "I don't want to give anything away."

And he's right. For as exciting as it is to discuss the nitty-gritty details of the twists that "House of Cards" has in store, it's even more exciting to watch it for the first time.

The sixth and final season of "House of Cards" is on Netflix.

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The good, bad and ugly from first month of Flyers' 2018 season

Despite ending October with a win, Philly didn't have a good first month.

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Flyers goalie Brian Elliott. GETTY IMAGES

Let's not mince words here: the Flyers are off to a terrible start. Even with Tuesday night's 3-2 win over the Anaheim Ducks, the highs are few and far between, while the list of lows seems endless through the first month of the season.

At 5-7 heading into the first week of November, it's hardly time to panic. However, the Flyers need to turn their season around quickly before it does become too late. Their performance against the Ducks was a good step in the right direction.

Let's highlight the good, the bad and the ugly from the opening four weeks of the season. (Spoiler alert: there's not a lot of good).

The good

Dale Weiss, Jori Lehtera and Radko Gudas.

Yes, seriously. The two fourth-line veterans, along with Michael Raffle — who is out for a month with an injury — and the at-times-undisciplined defenseman have provided the team with consistently strong performances. Weiss and Lehtera have created chances on offense (combined one goal and three assists), added a physical element, and have not hurt the team at the defensive end (combined plus-1). Meanwhile, Gudas leads the team in plus-minus at plus-4 and is third on the team in assists.

The bad

The goalies.

Although the trio of Brian Elliott, Calvin Pickard and Michal Neuvirth has combined to post a league-worst save percentage and leads the league in goals allowed, they don't deserve all of the blame. At least half, and possibly more, falls on the five guys in front of them, who have allowed odd-man rushes, breakaways and prime real estate to shoot the puck. The goalies are guilty of yielding too many soft goals and coming up with that big save (or two) each game that can swing momentum.

The ugly

Slow starts.

Heard this one before? This issue has been well chronicled in this space and by virtually every other media outlet and fan. The team has surrendered the first goal in 10 of its first 12 games, looked lethargic and uninterested, and has been out-played through the first 20 minutes.

Team core

Jake Voracek, Wayne Simmonds, Sean Couturier, Shayne Gostisbehere, Ivan Provorov, and Giroux, who are the top players on the team, are all minus players and are a combined minus-35.

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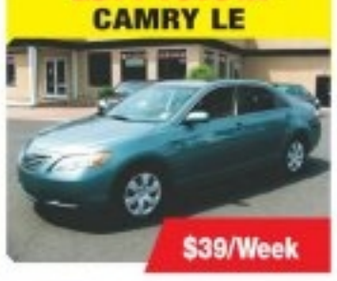
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Sam Darnold and the Jets will take on Miami this Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

NFL Week 9: Jets to cover in Miami

MetroBet picks a pair of AFC East games this week.

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New York Jets at Miami Dolphins (-3)

Sam Darnold and the Jets have struggled to put up points in recent weeks, but a trip to Miami could be just what the doctor ordered.

The Dolphins, who have dropped four of their last five straight-up and against the spread, have surrendered an average of 33.4 points per game in that span.

Miami's run defense has been a sore spot, as they've allowed an average of 175.6 rushing yards per game over this sorry five-game stretch. They can expect a heavy dose of Isaiah Crowell on Sunday afternoon.

Darnold should be comfortable in the pocket, too, as the Fish are third-worst in the league at getting to the quarterback (11 sacks). The Jets' offensive line has been underrated this season, as they've allowed the third-fewest QB hits in the NFL through eight weeks (25).

Brock Osweiler is producing diminishing returns under center for Miami, as he exits a loss against Houston in which he posted a season-low 65.3 passer rating. The Jets may have dropped their home game with Miami in Week 2, but they should even the score with their AFC East rival in Week 9.

The pick: Jets +3

Green Bay Packers at New England Patriots (-5.5)

The Packers played admirably in defeat to the Rams last week, but things don't get any easier for Aaron Rodgers and company as they travel to Gillette Stadium to take on the New England Patriots on Sunday night.

New England's balanced offense had been driving the opposition crazy until Monday night, when the Bills were able to make crucial stops. But the Patriots successfully leaned on their defense and held Buffalo to just six points and forced two takeaways. That enabled New England to cover the spread for the fourth time in five games.

However, with Rodgers to defend instead of Derek Anderson, the Patriots' stoppers will probably revert to their customary 400-yard allowance.

But Green Bay's defense has allowed over 400 yards in two straight games, so Tom Brady should have no problem going through them either, especially if Sony Michel returns to the lineup. The Packers' stoppers took a step backward at the trading deadline, as star safety Ha Ha Clinton-Dix was dealt to the Redskins.

Points should not be difficult to come by based on these teams' styles, and the betting total (56.5) reflects that. So giving 5.5 points with the Patriots, who are 9-3 against the spread in their last 12 home games, is not that onerous.

The pick: Patriots -5.5

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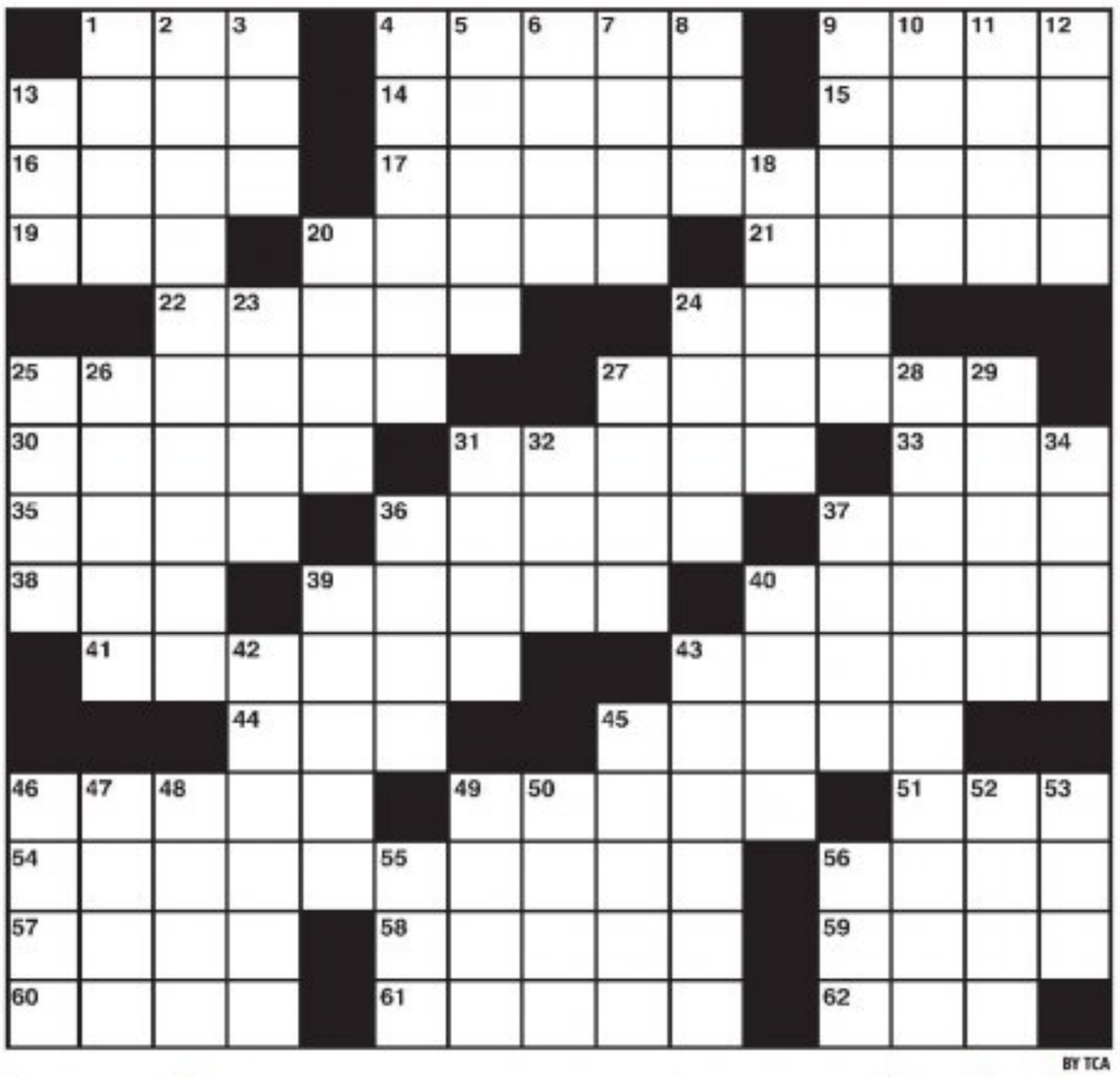

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9 Cushy
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15 Story
16 __ up; admits
17 Coffeepot
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20 Bit of dandruff
21 Actor Buddy
22 Put to work
24 Actor Mineo
25 Nutmeg & cinnamon
27 "__ or leave it"
30 Felt miserable
31 Disgusting
33 Pasture cry
35 Thrilled
36 Seizes
37 Reach across
38 Beautician's offering
39 Northeastern U.S. state
40 Woman's accessory
41 Fold up tents and leave
43 Says hello to
44 Feasted
45 Motel employees
46 Frighten
49 Weather forecast
51 Weep
54 Deep cut
56 On __; prompt
57 __ and crafts
58 Deceitful
59 Eager
60 State of disarray
61 19th-century U.S. president
62 __-together; social event

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2 Destroy
3 French article
4 Round fruits
5 Sandwich maker's need
6 Tree coating
7 A single time
8 Fight result, for short
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10 Quaker product
11 Sheet of ice on the sea
12 Gull's cousin
13 Reagan's party, for short
18 Hose problems
20 MacMurray or Gwynne
23 __ tea
24 Be impudent
25 Droops
26 Stacked
27 "Who Wants __ a Millionaire"
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31 Hold tightly
32 Hightailed it
34 Change for a five
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37 Brought civil charges against
39 Alma __; one's former school
40 Stiffly proper
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